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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Kate E. Cassidy

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		
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In re:	:	Chapter 11
	:	(Subchapter V)
JJ ARCH LLC,	:	
	:	Case No. 24-10381 (JPM)

Debtor.¹ :

DECLARATION OF ANDREW RITTER IN SUPPORT OF WIGGIN AND DANA LLP'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW

I, Andrew Ritter, hereby declare, under penalty of perjury, that the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief:

- 1. I am a member of the law firm Wiggin and Dana LLP, which is proposed co-counsel to JJ Arch LLC, the debtor and debtor-in-possession in the above-captioned case (the "<u>Debtor</u>" and, such case, the "<u>Chapter 11 Case</u>").
- 2. I submit this Declaration in support of *Wiggin and Dana LLP's Motion to Withdraw* (the "Motion"), filed contemporaneously herewith.
- 3. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given to such terms in the Motion.

¹ The last four digits of the Debtor's federal tax identification number are 4251.

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4. Since Wiggin's engagement by the Debtor, numerous fundamental disagreements

have arisen between Wiggin and the Debtor regarding various aspects of the Chapter 11 Case and

the Adversary Proceeding and there has been a fundamental and irreparable breakdown in the

attorney-client relationship between Wiggin and the Debtor. Such fundamental disagreements,

and the related breakdown in the attorney-client relationship have irreparably undermined

Wiggin's ability to represent the Debtor effectively.

5. On May 11, 2024, I informed the Debtor that Wiggin intended to move to withdraw

from its representation of the Debtor for such reasons. Wiggin agreed to wait to file the Motion

until on or around May 24, 2024, in order to provide the Debtor time to engage appropriate

replacement counsel, and then subsequently delayed an additional week to provide the Debtor with

more time to engage such counsel. To Wiggin's knowledge, the Debtor has not yet engaged

replacement counsel, although Wiggin understands that the Debtor is in contact with multiple law

firms and intends to engage such counsel as soon as is reasonably practicable.

6. Due to certain events resulting from the fundamental and irreparable breakdown in

Wiggin's attorney-client relationship with the Debtor, I can also no longer represent that Wiggin

is "disinterested" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code.

7. Wiggin's withdrawal is permitted under, among others, Rules 1.16(c)(4), (6) and

(7) of the NYRPC.

Executed the 1st Day of June, 2024

/s/ Andrew Ritter

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